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In re Application of: Hattori et al.

Application No. 09/765,865

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For: PLASMID, A TRANSFORMANT BEARING THE PLASMID, AND METHOD OF PRODUCING AN ENZYME USING THE TRANSFORMANT

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

- Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- Petition for Extension of Time
  - Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$400.00 (enclosed).
  - Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- Other:

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

				SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDT. CLAIM FEE	RATE	ADDT. CLAIM FEE	
TOTAL	3	MINUS	20	=0	x 9=	\$0.00	x 18=	\$0.00
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				TOTAL	\$0.00	TOTAL	\$0.00	

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$400.00. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
  - Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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